

U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, DC 20530

Supplemental Statement

**Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of
1938, as amended**

For Six Month Period Ending 8/31/2012

(Insert date)

I - REGISTRANT

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

(a) If an individual:

(1) Residence address(es)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
(2) Citizenship	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
(3) Occupation	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

(b) If an organization:

(1) Name	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(2) Ownership or control	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3) Branch offices	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C¹, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.
Yes No
If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes No
If no, please attach the required amendment.

¹ The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Connection Ended
Minoru Yamamoto	Executive Director	08/10/2012
Takashi Matsumoto	Director, Industrial Machinery	08/04/2012

(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
Yusuke Okano	1225 N. Wells Street #906, Chicago, IL 60610	Japanese	Executive Director	07/31/2012
Takuyuki Kawauchi	2187 Seaver Lane, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169	Japanese	Director, Industrial Machinery	07/31/2012

5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes No

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

Please see Attachment "D."

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes No

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Date Terminated
Minoru Yamamoto	Executive Director	08/10/2012
Takashi Matsumoto	Director, Industrial Machinery	08/04/2012

(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Foreign Principal	Date Terminated
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6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes No

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

The short form registration statements for Mr. Yusuke Okano and Mr. Takuyuki Kawauchi are being submitted simultaneously with this supplemental statement.

II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

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7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No
If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date of Termination

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8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)² during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No
If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)

Date Acquired

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9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)² whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Tokyo, Japan

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10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A³ Yes No
Exhibit B⁴ Yes No

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes No

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes No

If no, please attach the required amendment.

² The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

³ The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

⁴ The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

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11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes No

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

Please see Attachment "A."

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12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity⁵ as defined below?

Yes No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

Please see Attachment "C."

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)? Yes No

If yes, describe fully.

⁵ The term "political activity" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION**14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes No

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.⁶

Date	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
Please see Attachment "E."			
			Total

(b) RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign⁷, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes No

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes No

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date _____

(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value⁹ other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	Thing of Value	Purpose
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^{6, 7} A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

⁸ An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

⁹ Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) **DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

- (1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes No
- (2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes No

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
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Please see
Attachment "B."

Total

(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value¹⁰ other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Recipient	Foreign Principal	Thing of Value	Purpose
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(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value¹¹ in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or Thing of Value	Political Organization or Candidate	Location of Event
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^{10, 11} Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?¹²
 Yes No

If Yes, go to Item 17.

(b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?
 Yes No

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Tokyo, Japan

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

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|---|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio or TV broadcasts | <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine or newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Motion picture films | <input type="checkbox"/> Letters or telegrams |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising campaigns | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Press releases | <input type="checkbox"/> Pamphlets or other publications | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lectures or speeches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | | | |

Electronic Communications

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|---|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Website URL(s): http://www.jetro.org | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social media websites URL(s): _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | | |

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public officials | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers | <input type="checkbox"/> Libraries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislators | <input type="checkbox"/> Editors | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government agencies | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civic groups or associations | <input type="checkbox"/> Nationality groups |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | | |

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

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|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |
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22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

- Yes No

¹² The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

VI - EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature¹³)

September 28, 2012

/s/ Tatsuhiro Shindo

eSigned

¹³ This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

Attachment A

Response to Item 11

Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), Tokyo, Japan

The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), established by a special law in Japan, is a non-profit, Japanese-government supported organization dedicated to promoting mutually beneficial trade and economic relations between Japan and other countries.

In the United States, JETRO currently maintains offices in New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Los Angeles, Houston, and Atlanta. These offices provide information relating to the Japanese economy and business as well as U.S.-Japan economic and trade relations and engage in various activities to promote a mutual understanding of U.S.-Japan economic and trade relations. The functions of JETRO's U.S. Offices are believed to be similar to those of the United States Trade Center (of the United States Department of Commerce) established in Japan.

As the Chicago-based office of the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), JETRO Chicago provides to public officials, corporations, associations, individuals and any other interested parties information and materials relating to various aspects of Japanese economy and business, as well as U.S. -Japanese economic and trade relations. JETRO Chicago also monitors the development of U.S. economic and market conditions for JETRO.

Attachment B

Disbursements from 3/1/2012 - 8/31/2012: Response to Item 15.(a)

Expense Categories	Disbursement Recipients	Month						
		Mar-12	Apr-12	May-12	Jun-12	Jul-12	Aug-12	
9+11	Salary	Staff	\$41,073.11	\$37,567.36	\$38,333.53	\$37,940.63	\$79,688.56	\$39,771.93
12+13+	Insurance & Welfare (Medical,Fire,Damage)	BWC, CIGNA Employee Benefits Companies, CIGNA HealthCare, Inc., LINA, Cosmos Service(America), Great-West Life & Annuity	\$12,905.74	\$11,128.66	\$22,029.19	\$12,582.21	\$13,200.49	\$13,280.90
16	Research	I.T.A., Inc., Manelli Denison & Selter PLLC, Informa, ROI Research, M Square, Masuda Funai Eifert & Mitchell LTD, Pike Research LLC, Sandler Travis & Rosenberg PA	\$42,800.00	\$0.00	\$10,500.00	\$500.00	\$1,750.00	\$2,500.00
17	Professional Fees	Mayeroff & Association, I.T.A., Inc., ITA, Inc., Cox International, M Square, Masuda Funai Eifert & Mitchell LTD, Takagi & Associates, G-Tec Corporation	\$64,610.92	\$9,000.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$28,845.20	\$46,678.57
15+19+ 38+40+ 41	Outside Service	KDDI America, Inc., Alarms Unlimited, Inc., Bear Construction, Ito, Inc., Swift Impressions, Inc., ISS Translators, Inc., Barnes & Thornburg, M Squar, Tsuruki Promotions, Kimata Personnel and Consultants, Inc., i365, Pacific Advisory Service, One East Wacker LLC	\$40,960.15	\$4,171.40	\$7,210.25	\$10,824.86	\$14,466.39	\$8,126.50
22	Communication	GLOBALCOM, KDDI America Inc., COVAD, at&t, AT & T mobility	\$3,285.53	\$2,142.80	\$1,917.56	\$1,744.06	\$1,906.91	\$3,018.17
23	Postage / Freight	OCS America, Inc., FedEx, Staff, Purchase Power, ITA, Inc.	\$2,462.61	\$28.49	\$594.97	\$556.51	\$868.22	\$533.55
20+26+ 30	Travel (Hotel)/ Transportation	Staff, JTB USA, BP, Kintetsu International Travel Consultants Company, Cosmos Field International	\$33,748.01	\$24,610.91	\$26,534.05	\$12,813.03	\$19,047.66	\$11,835.12
31+32	Office Supplies / Equipments	Quill, Staff, Ricoh Corporation, I.T.A., Inc., The Office Connection, Fletcher Jones Honda	\$1,215.60	\$504.68	\$516.73	\$427.89	\$132.29	\$1,359.94
33+35	Office, Parking, Event Space Rent	One East Wacker LLC, LAZ Parking, Harper College Wojcik Conference Center, Kendall College, OESA, AEE Exhibits, Center of Automotive Research, Macy's Catering, Bridgewater Rentals LTD, The Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Japan Business Society of Detroit	\$24,681.30	\$77,068.50	\$20,944.25	\$23,631.85	\$22,787.38	\$24,489.16
34	Office Equipment, Car Lease	I.T.A. Inc., Konica Minolta, Aqua Coolers, PBCC, Amlings Interior Landscape, Pitney Bowes, TEMCO International	\$711.63	\$3,879.25	\$1,595.08	\$2,244.58	\$1,895.62	\$2,087.83
36	Utility	ComEd	\$420.86	\$420.68	\$418.70	\$370.31	\$426.36	\$370.45
42+43	Library / Subscriptions	Staff, New York Times, Comcast, OCS America, Inc., Chicago Sun-Times, Inc., a Division of Thomson Scientific Inc., Jiji Press, Chicago Tribune, Informa Economics Inc., Plastic News, Chicago Shimp, The Wall Street Journal, Washington Watch, Crains Chicago Business, Time, Newsweek, MarkLines Co. Ltd.	\$2,875.77	\$5,419.53	\$3,121.36	\$945.22	\$4,034.05	\$303.56
44	Seminar	National Restaurant Association, SAE, Ohio Fuel Cell Coalition Inc, NSTI LLC, OESA, Staff	\$436.00	\$1,687.00	\$2,344.00	\$48.00	\$0.00	\$535.00
46	Office Equipment,Car Meintenance	I.T.A., Inc., Konica Minolta, KDDI America, Inc.,	\$2,989.96	\$4,689.49	\$6,761.93	\$4,464.25	\$5,612.94	\$2,142.75
49	Meeting	Harper College Wojcik Conference Center, Mid-America Club, Japan Business Society of Detroit, The Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Geothermal Energy Association, US High Speed Rail Association, Japan-America Society of Indianapolis, IMEC, OESA, SME, Kendall College, Infocast, Economic Development Council, Japan-America Society of Chicago, BNP Media LLC	\$8,578.15	\$5,532.07	\$1,843.94	\$719.02	\$5,052.54	\$5,926.26
51	Membership Dues	The Executives' Club, The Mid-America Club, Japan America Society of Chicago, OESA, JCCC, Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, SAE, CITCA, International Trade Association	\$1,290.00	\$12,993.00	\$1,215.00	\$215.00	\$215.00	\$265.00
52	Miscellaneous Expense	Quill, FARA Registration Unit, Staff, I.T.A. Inc., City Clerk, Jones Lang LaSalle, staff, Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ, Skil Vending Inc., Biotechnology industry Organization	\$744.09	\$559.93	\$660.24	\$261.37	\$532.38	\$290.21
	Total	\$285,789.43	\$201,403.75	\$147,040.78	\$110,288.79	\$200,461.99	\$163,514.90	

Attachment D

3/1/2012 – 8/31/2012 Response to item 5.(a)

	Name	Service Rendered
5(a)	Yusuke Okano	As the Executive Director of JETRO Chicago, Mr. Okano engages in various activitives to promote mutually beneficial business, trade, and investment relationship between the United States and Japan on behalf of JETRO Tokyo.
	Takuyuki Kawauchi	As the Director of Industrial Machinery Department of JETRO Chicago, Mr. Kawauchi promotes trade, investment, and technology exchange between the United States and Japan in the Industrial Machinery industry, as well as industry research of the US market.

Attachment E

3/1/2012–8/31/2012

Response to item 14(a)

14(a)

Date	Amount
March 7, 8	\$22,400.00
April 5	\$92,700.00
May 8	\$49,400.00
June 5, 6	\$220,400.00
July 5	\$49,400.00
August 7, 8	\$218,400.00
Total	\$652,700.00

Attachment G

March 1, 2012–August 31, 2012 (Response to item 12)

During this six-month reporting period, JETRO Chicago organized and/or engaged in the following activities on behalf of its foreign principals, JETRO Tokyo.

Date	Place	Speaker*	Subject
2012/3/2	JETRO Chicago, Chicago, Illinois	Ralph Inforzato, Director of Business Development, JETRO Chicago Robert Corder, Project Coordinator, Business Development, JETRO Chicago	Japan Lecture Series Program: Northern Illinois/DePaul University Global Management Seminar Participants learned in about Japan a glance, Japanese manufacturing in the US, key to success in Japan. Participants: 30
2012/3/10-13	McCormick Place, Chicago, Illinois	N/A	Japan Pavilion at 2012 International Home + Housewares Show Exhibiting Japanese at the world largest housewares Trade show. 10 Japanese companies exhibited.
2012/3/15	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois	Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago	Japan America Society of Chicago organized a seminar "Japan: Road to Recovery -Challenges and Opportunities" Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago, provided information about Tsunami disaster areas in Japan and spoke on the current state of the recovery efforts from March 11th Tohoku earthquake. Participants: 150
2012/3/26,27,28	Harper College, Wojcik Conference Center, Palatine, Illinois (3/26) Mason Municipal Center, Mason, Ohio (3/27) Sheraton Detroit Novi Hotel, Novi, Michigan (3/28)	Takao Nakahata, Director at JETRO Mexico Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago Miguel Angel Leaman, Trade Commissioner, (ProMexico Chicago Trade Commission of Mexico)	Mexico seminar "Current Mexico Economic and Automotive Industry" (Illinois seminar was co-organized with Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Chicago. Michigan seminar was co-organized with Japan Business Society of Detroit.) Explained current Mexico economic and Automotive Industry's trend in Mexico to Japanese associated companies. Participants: 57 (Illinois), 68 (Ohio), 85 (Michigan)
2012/5/4	Kansas City, Missouri	Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago Mehgan Flynn, Director, World Trade Center Kansan City Hiroaki Shino, Director, MO Japan Trade & Investment	World Trade Center Kansas City organized a seminar "Japan: Road to Recovery -Challenges and Opportunities" Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago, provided information about Tsunami disaster areas in Japan and spoke on the current state of the recovery efforts from March 11th Tohoku earthquake. Participants: 23
2012/5/12	Northwestern University-Kellogg School of Management, Evanston, Illinois	Dr. Takanori Shibata, Senior Research Scientist, AIST	Japan Lecture Series Program: Northwestern University-Kellogg School of Management, Global Management Seminar Dr. Takanori Shibata, Senior Research Scientist, AIST, explained the Design process of Robot "Paro". Participants: 40 Students and Faculty

2012/6/12	Indiana Roof Ballroom Indianapolis, Indiana	Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago	Japan America Society of Indiana (JASI) annual gala- Keynote Presentation "Japan: Road to Recovery -Challenges and Opportunities- Kizuna: The bonds of Emotion" Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago, provided information about Tsunami disaster areas in Japan and spoke on the current state of the recovery efforts from March 11th Tohoku earthquake. Attendees: 425
2012/6/20	Courtyard by Marriott, Schaumburg, Illinois	John Gauntner, award-winning sake expert and author, Founder and President of the Sake Education Council Kosuke Kuji, Vice President, Nanbu Bijin Sake Brewing Company Ltd.	Japanese Sake Seminar and Recovery efforts of Sake Brewing Company from March 11th Tohoku earthquake (Organized by JETRO Chicago, the Consulate General of Japan at Chicago, the Sake Export Association of Japan) Mr. Gauntner explained the Sake market in the US Mr. Kuji spoke about the recovery efforts from March 11th Tohoku earthquake. Participants: 50
2012/6/21	Kendall College, Chicago, Illinois	John Gauntner, award-winning sake expert and author, Founder and President of the Sake Education Council	Japanese Sake Tasting & Seminar: A Demonstration & Sampling Event for Industry Professionals. (Organized by JETRO Chicago, the Consulate General of Japan at Chicago, the Sake Export Association of Japan) This event provided unique opportunity to sample an array of premium sake from Japan's top microbrewers and discover how to pair sake with cuisines from our experts. This event was opened to industry only Participants: 100
2012/7/12	Woodfield Corporation Center, Schaumburg, IL	Edgar Asebey-Birkholm, Esq., Sandler, Travis, Rosenberg P.A.	Seminar: "Food Safety Modernization Act" Mr. Asebey, Esq., provided information about the Food Safety Modernization Act and FDA's Implementation of FSMA. Participants: 19
2012/7/13	Double Tree Hotel by Hilton, Torrance, California	Daisuke Kojo, Director of Agriculture, JETRO Chicago	Seminar: "Food Safety Modernization Act" (Organized by Hichimikai, California) Daisuke Kojo from JETRO Chicago provided information about the Food Safety Modernization Act (summary and analysis). Participants: 60
2012/7/25, 26	Schaumburg Prairie Center for the Arts, Schaumburg, Illinois (7/25) Detroit Marriott Livonia, Livonia, Michigan (7/26)	Toshio Kii, Director, JETRO São Paulo	Brazilian Business Seminar (Illinois seminar was co-organized with Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Chicago. Michigan seminar was co-organized with Japan Business Society of Detroit and Japan Auto Parts-Industries Association North America Office) The seminar was focused on new trends regarding the Brazilian economy, industry, and market. Participants: 52 (Illinois), 65 (Michigan)

2012/8/13	JETRO Chicago, Chicago, Illinois	Tatsuhiro Shindo, Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago Kelly Highland, Assistant Director, Business Development, JETRO Chicago Robert Corder, Project Coordinator, Business Development, JETRO Chicago	Japan Lecture Series Program: Hope College/Meiji Gakuin University Global Management Seminar Students learned in about the importance of networking, America's unique business culture and about the service robotics industry in Japan Participants: 25 (Students and Professors)
2012/8/23	Double Tree Hotel-Arlington Heights, Arlington Heights, Illinois	Daisuke Yamada, Director, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. Kentarō Arita, Analyst, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.	Seminar: Automotive Industry Seminar 2012 (co-organized with Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Chicago) Updated automotive industry circumstances in North America, with statistical data and analysis of manufacturing and sales, especially for Japanese automotive industries. Participants: 97

* Speakers listed include invited guests, and those not employed by JETRO Chicago.